

PHARMACY AND BANK  
EXCHANGE LOCATIONS

J. E. Gillaspie Buys Present  
Building of the Boone  
County National.

\$22,500 IN TRANSFER

Transaction Necessitates the  
Removing of Drug and  
Hardware Stores.

J. E. Gillaspie, owner of the drug  
store at the southwest corner of Eighth  
street and Broadway, has purchased  
the Boone County National Bank  
Building diagonally across the street.  
The building has a 27-foot frontage  
on Broadway and extends back 52  
feet on Eighth street. The considera-  
tion was \$22,500.

The Boone County National Bank  
will remain in the building, however,  
until the new bank building on the  
present drug store site is completed.  
After the bank has moved, Mr. Gillas-  
pie will remodel the first floor of the  
old bank building and equip it for a  
modern drug store. The second and  
third floor will continue to be used for  
office rooms.

Wrecking of the old building at  
the southwest corner, to make way  
for the bank, will begin about the  
middle of this month. Though the  
bank has as yet made no definite state-  
ment of its plans, it is known that it  
will erect a two-story building of  
Carthage stone, costing \$50,000 or  
more. The building will take up all  
of the lot, which fronts 50 feet on  
Broadway and 142½ feet on Eighth  
street. The lot was purchased by the  
bank three years ago, for \$35,000 from  
S. F. Conley and T. C. Hall.

The Gillaspie drug store is now be-  
ing moved to a temporary location  
west of Hetzler's market on Broad-  
way. The Palmer & Johnson Hard-  
ware Company, which was in the  
same building with the drug store, has  
already moved one door west.

## JOHN MORDICA OF HINTON DIES

Heart Disease Is Supposed Cause—  
Inquest Held.

John Mordica, a farmer living near  
Hinton, died suddenly at 5:30 o'clock  
yesterday afternoon, while at work.  
He had suffered from attacks of heart  
disease before, and his death is  
thought to have been caused by this.

Mr. Mordica was about forty-six  
years old. He leaves two children, a  
son and a daughter, both of whom are  
grown.

Coroner E. G. Davis went to Hinton  
last night to hold an inquest.

## KENT MILL BLOWN UP

200 Killed or Injured in  
Fire and Explosion in  
Powder Factory.

By United Press.

LONDON, April 4.—Two hundred  
persons were killed or injured in a  
fire and explosion at a powder factory  
in Kent, according to announcements  
this afternoon. The fire occurred Fri-  
day but the news of it was suppressed.

A statement of the German admi-  
rality says that Zeppelins attacked  
powder mills near London Friday.

## FORMER MEXICO MAYOR DEAD

Pneumonia Causes Death of Eugene  
Jones, Who Had Relatives Here.

According to a long distance tele-  
phone message received late last  
night by Mrs. Robert P. Glenn of Co-  
lumbia, Eugene Jones, a farmer liv-  
ing near Mexico and formerly mayor  
of Mexico, died yesterday afternoon.  
It is thought pneumonia caused his  
death. No funeral arrangements or  
details of the death had been learned  
late this afternoon.

Mr. Jones was mayor of Mexico,  
Mo., for three terms, his last term  
ending five years ago. He was a broth-  
er-in-law of R. H. Hall, manager of the  
Columbia Theatre, and of Mrs. Robert  
P. Hall of Columbia. He is survived  
by two sons, Samuel and Hall Jones,  
who live on the farm near Mexico,  
and two daughters, Miss Judith Jones  
of Mexico and Mrs. Mathew Dunn.

## Miss Mary Ford Buys Lot for Home.

Miss Mary Ford has purchased from  
Judge J. A. Stewart a lot on Bridge  
Terrace for \$1,000. Miss Ford will  
build a \$3,200 house on the lot.

## THE WEATHER

For Columbia and vicinity: Some  
cloudiness but generally fair weather to-  
night and Wednesday; not much change  
in temperature—lowest tonight near 40 de-  
grees.

For Missouri: Mostly cloudy tonight  
and Wednesday, with rain south and west  
portions; not much change in tempera-  
ture.

## Weather Conditions.

Cloudy and unsettled weather still con-  
tinues in most of the territory east of the  
Mississippi, being still under the influence  
of the storm that was central yesterday  
morning in Georgia, and which is this  
morning off the North Carolina coast;  
rains still attend this disturbance. The  
southwest disturbance is as yet unim-  
portant, but has given light rain in its  
front, extending across Colorado eastward  
to Kansas.

In the remainder of the country partly  
cloudy to clear skies prevail.

Except along the Texas coast tempera-  
tures are somewhat below the seasonal  
average, but no abnormally low values  
obtain; the freezing line of 32 degrees,  
however, is farther south, entering Kansas  
this morning.

In Columbia no marked changes are ex-  
pected during the next thirty-six hours.

## Local Data.

The highest temperature in Columbia  
yesterday was 61 and the lowest last night  
was 42; precipitation, .01; relative humid-  
ity 2 p. m. yesterday, 29 per cent. A year  
ago yesterday the highest temperature was  
54 and the lowest 28; precipitation, .00.

## The Almanac.

Sun rose today, 5:49 a. m. Sun sets,  
6:35 p. m.

## Moon sets, 9:08 p. m.

## The Temperatures Today.

7 a. m. 42 11 a. m. 52  
8 a. m. 43 12 m. 53  
9 a. m. 45 1 p. m. 55  
10 a. m. 48 2 p. m. 57

## MARCH WAS A CLOUDY MONTH

Only Seven Clear Days Noted by U. S.  
Weather Bureau.

March was true to its traditions as  
a cloudy month, twenty-four of its  
thirty-one days being cloudy, ac-  
cording to the monthly summary of  
the weather bureau, which has just  
been issued. Only seven days were  
clear. Thunderstorms occurred on  
the 25th and 26th. On eight days rain  
fell. The wind, which was prevail-  
ingly toward the north, struck an  
average hourly velocity of ten and a  
half miles. For five minutes, however,  
it reached a maximum of 40 miles an  
hour on the 22d.

The highest temperature was 86 on  
the 21st. On the 3rd, the thermometer  
dropped to 12 degrees.

## LONG FIGHT OVER \$150

Seven Lawyers in Case  
Brought to Circuit Court  
From Harrisburg.

Seven lawyers, two counties, a farm,  
cows, chickens, horses and potatoes  
are mixed up together in the suit in the  
Boone County Circuit Court of  
Albert Keith of Harrisburg against  
W. H. Morgan of Harrisburg, for \$150.  
The case, which began early this  
morning, was still being threshed out  
by the attorneys before the jury late  
this afternoon.

The case has caused much interest  
among the farmers of Boone and How-  
ard counties, as the farm is on the  
county line. Both parties are well  
known in that community. Keith  
brought suit against Morgan last  
December at Harrisburg, claiming  
that Morgan was indebted to him and  
his son Bud for work done on Morgan's  
farm. The justice of peace gave  
Keith judgment for \$100, and Morgan  
appealed the case.

Morgan meanwhile has brought a  
replevin and possession suit against  
Keith. These suits are to be tried in  
the Circuit Court at Fayette. Morgan  
claims that he paid Keith \$120 too  
much.

In the case of the City of Centralia  
against John McGraw, appealed from  
the police court, the defendant dis-  
missed the appeal and the judgment  
of the police court was affirmed.

The court issued a decree perfect-  
ing title in the suit of Silas R. Hazel  
against the inhabitants of the town of  
Ashland and others.

In the case of John Elsie against C.  
J. Helmick and others, a suit on a note,  
the court rendered judgment for the  
plaintiff against P. C. Helmick for  
\$325.15 with 8 per cent compound in-  
terest.

The suit on note of John Elsie  
against P. C. Helmick was decided in  
favor of the plaintiff and a judgment  
of \$32.31 with 8 per cent compound  
interest rendered.

The court rendered judgment of  
\$409.60 with 8 per cent compound in-  
terest for the plaintiff in the case of  
Bert Elsie against P. C. Helmick, a  
suit on note.

In the case of Gabriella Frost  
against Mrs. Mattie J. Sapp and others  
the court allowed a fee of \$5 to M. R.  
Conley, guardian, the fee to be taxed  
to the costs. The cause was dismis-  
sed by the plaintiff and the costs paid.

## The Rev. F. J. Bate Leaves Columbia.

The Rev. F. J. Bate and family left  
today for Oklahoma City, where Rev.  
Bate has accepted the office of dean  
of St. Paul's Cathedral.

COMMERCIAL CLUB  
RETAINS PRESIDENT

Prof. L. M. Defoe Is Chos-  
en Unanimously to Serve  
Second Term.

SHOWS YEAR'S WORK

W. L. Nelson, Odon Guitar,  
E. C. Anderson and W. C.  
Knight Other Officers.

Some things the Commercial Club  
did last year:

Backed the \$100,000 hotel propo-  
sition.

Made possible paying of Fyfer  
Hill.

Brought more conventions here  
than in any previous year.

Co-operated in getting the city in-  
surance rates reclassified.

Worked for good roads and the  
Old Trails Highway.

Prof. L. M. Defoe was unanimously  
re-elected president of the Columbia  
Commercial Club at the annual meet-  
ing in the club's rooms last night. W.  
L. Nelson, assistant secretary of the  
State Board of Agriculture, was elected  
vice-president, to succeed Claud  
Wheeler who has moved from Colum-  
bia. Odon Guitar, E. C. Anderson and  
Dr. W. C. Knight were elected mem-  
bers of the board of directors to suc-  
ceed W. L. Nelson, Alex Bradford and  
Marshall Gordon.

President Defoe outlined the work  
of the Commercial Club for this last  
year and told of the prospects for the  
coming year. His suggestions includ-  
ed forming a convention committee to  
bring more state and national meet-  
ings to Columbia; combining of com-  
mercial clubs of Missouri towns to aid  
interurban railroad building, and in-  
creasing membership pledges to the  
Commercial Club.

"It has been largely due to the agi-  
tation of the Commercial Club that  
the new Daniel Boone Tavern, which  
is to be erected this summer, is pos-  
sible," said President Defoe. "But this  
has been only one of the conspicuous  
achievements of the club. The back-  
ing of the movement to pave Fyfer  
Hill, which stood out as the worst  
piece of road near the town, was an  
achievement due in a large part to  
the club.

"Exactly what part the club has  
played in bringing people to Colum-  
bia, through conventions and in co-  
operation with other agencies, is diffi-  
cult to estimate. We do know that in  
the last year Columbia has had more  
visitors and more conventions than in  
any previous year. This was in part  
due to the Thanksgiving football  
game.

"If the city insurance classification  
is reduced from the four-and-a-half  
to the three-and-a-half class, \$7,500  
will be saved annually in insurance.

"We have done many detailed things  
every day. We have worked for good  
roads and the Old Trails Highway;  
we have brought the merchants closer  
together through the weekly noon-  
day luncheons, and we have taken a  
part in civic affairs. The bringing  
together of the people interested in  
the welfare of Columbia has always  
been the motive for the work of the  
Commercial Club."

## BANQUET WILL BE OF CORN

Unique Event Planned for Closing  
Night of Journalism Week.

A Made-in-America banquet at  
Rothwell Gymnasium Friday evening,  
May 5, will close the program of Jour-  
nalism Week. Among the speakers  
at the banquet will be William J.  
Bryan and Josephus Daniels, Secre-  
tary of the Navy.

The menu will be entirely of corn  
and products of corn, emphasizing the  
commonwealth of Missouri as a corn-  
producing state. In addition, the ban-  
quet takes on the character of a Made-  
in-America affair through the partici-  
pation of American manufacturers and  
growers in the display and distribu-  
tion of samples of their products. Every  
section of the United States will  
be represented, from California to  
Maine. Several unusual "stunts"  
illustrative of newspaper enterprise  
are planned.

Only a limited number of tickets  
will be sold locally to the banquet,  
the others being of necessity reserved  
for out-of-town Journalism Week  
guests.

## Work Begun on Prof. Sabine's Home.

Work has started on Prof. George  
Sabine's new home in Westmount. S.  
D. Bewick has the contract.

SCHOOL BOARD HEARS  
REPORT OF FINANCES

Total Indebtedness of Dis-  
trict April 1, \$110,000—  
Valuation \$4,501,094.

NEW BUILDING SOON

But Discussion of Location Is  
Postponed to Meeting  
After Election.

A report of Columbia's financial  
condition was submitted to the school  
board last night by J. E. McPherson,  
superintendent of schools. The re-  
port gave the amount and increase or  
decrease in county, state and in road  
and bridge taxes, school and city taxes,  
together with the corresponding as-  
sessed valuation of the school dis-  
trict each year from 1910 to 1915.

The county, state and road bridge  
tax in 1915 was 88 cents; school tax,  
\$1.25; city tax, \$1; total rate, \$3.13.  
The assessed valuation of property in  
the city was \$4,307,199, and the as-  
sessed valuation in the school district  
was \$4,400,494.

In 1916 the school tax was \$1.25.  
The assessed valuation of the city  
was submitted as \$4,501,094. The to-  
tal indebtedness of the city April 1,  
1916, was \$144,000; while that of the  
school district was \$110,000.

## One Tax Fluctuates.

Since 1910 the county, state and  
road and bridge tax has climbed from  
65 cents to \$1.14 in 1914, but it was  
reduced to 88 cents in 1915. The  
school tax of 1915 was 5 cents less  
than it was in 1910, while the city tax  
was 10 cents less. The total tax in  
1915 showed an increase of 13 cents  
over that of 1910.

Mr. McPherson also submitted to  
the school board a large map of Co-  
lumbia which was prepared by the pu-  
pils of the school showing the con-  
gested condition of the schools and  
the need of a building on Range line.  
The large districts are divided into  
small districts, which show the den-  
sity of population in the various lo-  
calities and the number of school chil-  
dren.

## Provides for Flood Memorial.

The board adopted a resolution giv-  
ing to the Benton School Mothers' Club  
the right to equip the new library  
which will be placed in the school  
in honor and memory of Miss Sallie  
Flood. A room on the second floor  
was set aside for the library, and the  
club will furnish the room and supply  
the books.

The board attended to the regular  
allowing of accounts and to other rou-  
tine business. The discussion of the  
location of the new ward school and  
of the proposed negro school was left  
over to the next meeting, which will  
include those members who are elected  
today.

## COLUMBIA'S ELECTION IS QUIET

Only 225 Had Voted at 3 o'clock This  
Afternoon.

Today, while many Missouri towns  
and cities are at the climax of bitter  
municipal political campaigns, Colum-  
bia is quietly electing four council-  
men and members of the school board,  
and voting on the regular increased  
levy for school purposes. There is  
no contest except that only two of  
the three nominees for the school  
board can be elected. The election is  
a confirmation of the Democratic  
nominations a month ago.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon about  
225 voters had registered their choice.  
The vote on the city officers is slight-  
ly under that for the school levy. In  
the First Ward 100 votes had been  
cast at 3 o'clock. The Second Ward  
led with 131 votes. One hundred votes  
had been cast in the Fourth Ward and  
ninety in the Third.

At Chandler's livery stable, the  
Third Ward polling place, the main  
issue of the day was discussion of  
the last clause on the page of in-  
structions issued to the judges and  
clerks. The paragraph read: "If you  
need chairs, tables, refreshments or  
supplies of any kind, call up 279, city  
marshal." The election officials said  
that they had an ample supply of  
chairs and tables. Chief Whitesides  
could not be found.

## Marcus Woods Dies.

Marcus, the infant son of Mr. and  
Mrs. J. M. Woods, Jr., died Sunday  
afternoon at the home of his parents,  
1508 Cauthorn avenue. The funeral  
was held yesterday afternoon from  
the home, and burial was at Hutton,  
in Callaway County. The child was a  
nephew of Mrs. J. K. Wright.

## MISSOURI CLOTHIERS TO MEET

Session in Mexico Will Arrange for  
Delegation to Journalism Week.

An executive meeting of the Mis-  
souri Retail Clothiers' Association  
will be held at Mexico, Mo., tomorrow.

"We are going to plan to bring a  
large delegation of our members to  
Columbia for advertising day of  
Journalism Week," said L. A. Barth,  
president of the association, this  
morning.

"Our association," he said, "is for  
the benefit of the retailer and the con-  
sumer. Right here in our own  
county, the efforts of our attorney,  
James Preston Kem, an alumnus of  
the University, ousted a faker's 'fire  
sale' at Centralia last fall."

The Missouri Retail Clothiers' As-  
sociation is now 5 years old and has a  
membership of about 150. A campaign  
is now being planned to appeal to the  
thousands of merchants of the state  
in an effort to increase the member-  
ship to 300 before the annual meet-  
ing at St. Louis next year. Colum-  
bia is represented in the organiza-  
tion by the Victor Barth Clothing  
Company and Sykes & Broadhead.

## MORE TROOPS OVER BORDER

Soldiers, Believed to Be Fifth Cavalry,  
Go From Columbus, N. M.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—That ad-  
ditional American troops were sent  
across the Mexican border at Colum-  
bus, N. M., two days ago, was an-  
nounced officially this afternoon.

It is thought that this new force  
was the Fifth Cavalry. It probably  
will be used in maintaining the lines  
of communication.

## CADET BAND SAYS NO!

Claiming Unfair Treatment,  
Musicians Won't Play at  
Athletic Games.

The University Cadet Band at a  
meeting yesterday afternoon voted  
unanimously not to play at the High  
School Day track meet, the Missouri  
Valley Conference meet or the opening  
of the new baseball field next Satur-  
day. The vote was an outcome of a  
misunderstanding between the mem-  
bers of the band and C. L. Brewer,  
director of athletics.

According to members of the band,  
the athletic department last spring,  
through Mr. Brewer, promised each  
member of the band a free yearly ac-  
tivity ticket in return for services of  
the band at the football games. Tick-  
ets were issued to the band members  
for the football games only, it being  
explained that the supply of activity  
tickets was exhausted, but that more  
would be issued later. At the opening  
of the basketball season a request for  
tickets met with a refusal, according  
to the band men.

Yesterday the band was asked by  
Mr. Brewer to play at the baseball  
game Saturday and the two big track  
meets in return for two complimentary  
tickets each for the baseball games.  
This proposition was refused.

Mr. Brewer had not been informed  
of the action when seen this after-  
noon.

"I know of no controversy between  
the athletic department and the band,"  
he said. "The request I made was  
merely that the members give their  
services to help make the opening of  
the new baseball field, High School  
Day and the Missouri Valley Confer-  
ence meet a success. These are Uni-  
versity affairs and should receive the  
support of every student. Every prom-  
ise I have made them in the past has  
been kept, so far as I know. We ap-  
preciate the co-operation of the band  
at athletic events. The members do  
not receive the credit they deserve."

## Mrs. Sarah Frazier Married.

Mrs. Sarah Frazier of Columbia and  
J. H. Nichols of Moberly were married  
at Mrs. Frazier's home, 511 Price  
avenue, at 3 o'clock this afternoon by  
the Rev. A. W. Pasley. They left this  
afternoon to visit relatives in Moberly.  
They will make their home in  
Centralia. Mr. Nichols is a retired  
farmer.

## Y. M. C. A. Meets Tomorrow.

Round-table talks will be given at  
the regular meeting of the Y. M. C. A.  
at 4:15 o'clock Thursday afternoon.  
The general subject will be "Rela-  
tions." There will be special music.

## THE CALENDAR

April 4.—University Assembly lecture,  
"Education and Democracy," by J.  
Lionberger Davis of St. Louis, 7:30  
p. m.

April 6.—University Assembly lecture, "The  
Outlook for Education," by Dean  
W. W. Charters, 7:30 p. m.

OLD ISSUE COMES UP  
WITH BRITAIN AGAIN

England Refuses to Release  
German Citizens Taken  
From U. S. Steamer.

CAUSED WAR ONCE

America Had Demanded  
Freedom for Men Seized  
on the Steamer China.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The issue  
over which the United States and Eng-  
land disputed more than a century ago  
and which was partly responsible for  
a war between the two, bristled up  
again this afternoon.

Great Britain has refused the de-  
mand of the United States to release  
German citizens taken from an Ameri-  
can steamer, the China, in February.  
The Germans are being held prison-  
ers in the Orient.

## SETS HIGH IDEAL FOR LAWYER

J. Lionberger Davis Says He Must Ac-  
quire Public Point of View.

J. Lionberger Davis, vice-president  
and head of the legal department of  
the St. Louis Union Trust Company,  
spoke on "The Lawyer as a Public  
Servant" this morning in the lecture  
room of the Law Building.

"Instead of being mere representa-  
tives of private interests," said Mr.  
Davis, "lawyers should acquire the  
public point of view. The country,  
today, needs their services just as  
much as it did those of Alexander  
Hamilton, Thomas Jefferson and Abra-  
ham Lincoln in earlier times.

"If a lawyer is to be more than a  
paid servant he must study the so-  
cial and economic conditions of his  
community. Vice and crime must be  
controlled by the public, and it is the  
lawyer, especially trained for the  
work, who should be the leader of the  
crusade.

"The judge should also be a public  
servant. As chief official of the court  
it is his sacred duty to keep the ad-  
ministration of justice above reproach  
and to interpret the law with econo-  
mic and social justice.

"The largest field for the lawyer  
as a public servant is that of interna-  
tional law. The only thing that con-  
trols man's relation to man is law.  
Upon the lawyer lies the responsi-  
bility of bringing about the 'federation  
of the world.'"

## FRENCH HARD PRESSED

Defenders Expected to Evac-  
uate Bethincourt Within  
a Few Hours.

By United Press.

LONDON, April 4.—The French  
troops are holding Bethincourt, al-  
though they are three-fourths sur-  
rounded by German soldiers. An  
evacuation of the position is almost  
certain within the next three or four  
hours.

The plan of the German leaders is  
probably to push the French straight  
back to the forts of Verdun.

## Margaret Norris' Funeral Tomorrow.

Margaret Denton Norris, three and  
one-half years old, the only child of  
Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Norris of 302 Ripley  
street, died of pneumonia at 6:39  
o'clock yesterday evening. She had  
been ill for several weeks. The fune-  
ral will be held at 2:30 o'clock tomor-  
row afternoon at the Norris residence.  
The Rev. A. W. Pasley and the Rev.  
M. A. Hart will conduct the services.  
Burial will be in the Columbia Ceme-  
tery. Miss Dorothy Nice of Mexico,  
Mo., will be here for the funeral.

## St. Louisians Seek Holiday Rates.

The St. Louis Club of the University  
is negotiating with officials of the  
Wabash for a special train to accom-  
modate students from St. Louis who  
expect to go home for the Easter  
holidays. The special has been prom-  
ised if there is sufficient patronage.  
The club will meet tonight in the Y. M.  
C. A. Auditorium.

## To Explain Commission Plan.

Prof. W. J. Shepard will explain the  
plan of commission government for  
cities, before the Commercial Club at  
its noonday luncheon at Harris' Cafe  
Thursday.